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Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued April 23, 2003, the period for response having been extended two (2) month to September 23, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In this reply, Claims 1, 3, 9 and 10 have been cancelled, claims 2, 4, 6, and 11-14 have been amended and new claims 17 and 18 have been added.

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Appl. No. 10/015,184
Response dated 9/12/03 to
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IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

Please amend title to read "Antiviral methods employing double esters of 2', 3'-dideoxy-3'-fluoroguanosine."